



PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	Durette et al	
Serial No.:	09/086,327	Case No.: 19965Y
Filed:	May 28, 1998	
For:	Heterocyclic Amide Compounds as Cell Adhesion Inhibitors	

Art Unit: 1654
Examiner: Lukton

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The Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

There is an outstanding office action mailed April 9, 1999 for which the three-month response period, being extended by one-month with the accompanying petition, now ends August 9, 1999. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendment and remarks is respectfully requested.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

ADD the following claim:

--21. A compound having the formula Ia:

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on the date appearing below.

MERCK & CO., INC.

By: Mallie Star Date: 8/9/99